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S I R :

This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed August 25, 2006 the term for response to which expires on November 25, 2006 (Saturday), which is automatically extended to November 27, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1-3, 6-20 and 22 are canceled; claims 4 and 21 are amended; claim 23 is added; and claim 5 is maintained.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.